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**Laurence Hirsch Silberman**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1935  
 Education: Dartmouth 1957 AB; Harvard 1961 LLB  
 Began Service: November 1, 1985  
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, Georgetown Law Center (1987-1994);  
 Adjunct Professor, New York University School of Law (1995-1996);  
 Adjunct Professor, Georgetown Law Center (1999-2001); Adjunct  
 Professor, Harvard University Law School (1998); Adjunct Professor,  
 Georgetown Law Center (2002-2005)

**Corporate:** Executive Vice President of Strategic Planning, Legal and  
 Government Affairs, Crocker National Bank (1979-1983)

**Government:** Attorney, Appellate Division, Office of the General Counsel,  
 National Labor Relations Board (1967-1969); United States Solicitor,  
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 Labor, United States Department of Labor (1970-1973); Deputy United  
 States Attorney General, United States Department of Justice (1974-1975);  
 United States Ambassador to Yugoslavia, Embassy of the United States  
 (1975-1977); President's Special Envoy on ILO Affairs, Executive Office  
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**Legal Practice:** Partner, Moore, Silberman & Schulze (and predecessor  
 firms) (1961-1967); Steptoe & Johnson (1973-1974); Morrison & Foerster  
 (1978-1979); Morrison & Foerster (1983-1985)

**Military Service:** United States Army Reserve (1957-1958)

**Nonprofit:** Senior Fellow, American Enterprise Institute (1977-1978)

**Current Memberships:** Hawaii Bar Association

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**Stephen F. Williams**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1936  
 Education: Yale 1958 BA; Harvard 1961 JD  
 Began Service: 1986  
 Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
 Political Affiliation: Republican

**Academic:** Professor of Law, University of Colorado (1969-1986); Visiting  
 Professor of Law, University of California, Los Angeles (1975-1976);  
 Visiting Professor of Law, University of Chicago (1979-1980); Visiting  
 Professor of Law, Southern Methodist University (1983-1984)

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, United States Department  
 of Justice (1966-1969)

**Legal Practice:** Debevoise, Plimpton, Lyons & Gates (1962-1966)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1961-1962)

**Chambers of Senior Judge Stephen F. Williams** *continued*

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Law  
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 Chambers, Chilton, Coffee, Coosa, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Elmore,  
 Geneva, Henry, Houston, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Montgomery, Pike,  
 Randolph, Russell and Tallapoosa

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**Mark E. Fuller**  
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: December 27, 1958  
 Education: Alabama 1982 BS, 1985 JD  
 Began Service: December 2, 2002  
 Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Government:** Chief Assistant District Attorney, 12th Judicial Circuit, State  
 of Alabama (1996-1997); District Attorney, 12th Judicial Circuit, State of  
 Alabama (1997-2002)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Cassidy, Fuller & Marsh (1985-1986); Partner,  
 Cassidy, Fuller & Marsh (1986-1996)

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**Myron H. Thompson**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
 Education: Yale 1969 BA, 1972 JD  
 Began Service: September 29, 1980  
 Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Government:** Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General,  
 United States Department of Justice (1972-1974)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Thompson & Faulk (1979-1980)

**Current Memberships:** Alabama Bar Association; Alabama Lawyers  
 Association; American Bar Association; National Bar Association

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**Truman M. Hobbs**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1921  
 Education: North Carolina 1942 AB; Yale 1948 LLB  
 Began Service: April 14, 1980  
 Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter  
 Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Hugo Black, Supreme Court of the  
 United States (1948-1949)

**Government:** Chairman, Alabama Unemployment Appeal Board  
 (1952-1958)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Hobbs, Copeland, Franco & Screws (1949-1980)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1942-1946)

**Current Memberships:** Alabama Bar Association; American Bar  
 Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; American Trial Lawyers  
 Association; International Academy of Trial Lawyers; Montgomery  
 County Bar Association